

February Vote History

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Budget, Taxes, and the
Economy

(54) - HR 1: Economic
Stimulus - Motion to Instruct

February 10, 2009 - Lewis, R-Calif., motion
to instruct House conferees to not vote on approval of the final conference
agreement unless the text of the agreement has been available in an electronic,
searchable and downloadable form for at least 48 hours.

Motion agreed to 403-0.

Vote: Yea

(69) - HR 1: Economic Stimulus - Recommit

February 13, 2009 - Miller, R-Mich., motion
to recommit the bill to the conference committee with instructions that it be
reported back with language that would provide a tax deduction equal to the
cost of car loan interest and state sales tax on new car purchases in 2009.
Motion rejected 186-244.

Vote: Yea

(82) - H Res 180: America
Saves Week - Adoption

February 25, 2009 - Hinojosa, D-Texas, motion
to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and

ideals of America Saves Week and acknowledge the efforts of the late Rep. Stephanie Tubbs Jones of Ohio to eliminate predatory lending and increase the nation's savings rate. Motion agreed to 415-2.

Vote: Yea

(86) - HR 1105: Fiscal
2009 Omnibus Appropriations - Passage

February 25, 2009 - Passage of the bill that would provide \$410 billion in discretionary spending in fiscal 2009 for federal departments and agencies covered by nine unfinished fiscal 2009 spending bills. The measure incorporates the following appropriations bills from the 110th Congress: Agriculture; Commerce-Justice-Science; Energy-Water; Financial Services; Interior-Environment; Labor-HHS-Education; Legislative Branch; State-Foreign Operations; and Transportation-HUD. It would also provide \$100 million for the U.S. Secret Service and block the automatic cost-of-living adjustment for members of Congress in 2010. Passed 245-178.

Vote: Nay

Congress and the Federal
Government

(57) - H Res 143: Rep.
Rangel Removal from Chairmanship - Motion to Table

February 10, 2009 - Crowley, D-N.Y., motion to table (kill) the Carter, R-Texas, privileged resolution that would remove Rep. Charles B. Rangel, D-N.Y., from his chairmanship of the House Ways and Means Committee. Motion agreed to 242-157.

Vote: Nay

(61) - H 61 - H Res 154:
Tribute to Rep. Dingell - Adoption

February 11, 2009 - Kildee, D-Mich., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor Rep. John D. Dingell, D-Mich., for holding the record as the longest-serving member of the House. Motion agreed to 423-0.

Vote: Yea

(87) - H Res 189:
Earmark Investigation - Motion to Table

February 25, 2009 - Hoyer, D-Md., motion to table (kill) the Flake, R-Ariz., privileged resolution that would instruct the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct to investigate and report on the relationship between earmarks made by members of Congress and the details of past campaign contributions. Motion agreed to 226-182.

Vote: Nay

Domestic Issues

(47) - H
Res 82: Stalking Awareness - Adoption

February 03, 2009 - Scott, D-Va., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express the sense of the House that National Stalking Awareness Month provides an opportunity to educate about the crime of stalking and encourage the promotion of its awareness. Motion agreed to 417-0.

Vote: Yea

(51) - S 352: Digital Television Transition - Commit

February 04,
2009 - Barton, R-Texas, motion to commit the bill to the Energy and Commerce Committee that would require analog television stations with spectrums to be used by emergency services providers to switch to digital by Feb. 17, 2009, instead of the bill's June 12 deadline. Motion rejected 180-242.

Vote: Nay

(52) - S 352: Digital Television Transition - Passage

February 04,
2009 - Passage of the bill that would postpone, from Feb. 17 to June 12, 2009, the date by which full-power television stations must cease analog broadcasts. It would extend, from March 31 to July 31, 2009, the period that households can obtain coupons for converter boxes. It also would allow low-power stations to submit compensation requests for the cost of purchasing conversion devices and grant public safety officials with appropriate licenses the authority to use the airwaves without further approval from the Federal Communications Commission. Passed (thus cleared for the president) 264-158.

Vote: Yea

(53) - HR 738: Prisoner Death Reporting - Passage

February 04,
2009 - Scott, D-Va., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require states receiving federal law enforcement grants to report information on prisoner deaths to the attorney general and the federal government to release information on prisoner deaths in federal facilities. If states do not comply with the bill's provisions within 120 days of enactment, 10 percent of federal law enforcement grant funds to states would be cut. Motion agreed to 407-1.

Vote: Yea

(55) - H Res 114: Girls and Women in Sports Day - Adoption

February 10,

2009 - Sablan, I-N. Marianas, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of "National Girls and Women in Sports Day" and encourage schools to continue to provide sports opportunities for girls and women. Motion agreed to 398-0.

Vote:
Yea

(56)
- H Res 60: Quarterback Sam Bradford Tribute - Adoption

February 10,
2009 - Sablan, I-N. Marianas, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would commend University of Oklahoma quarterback Sam Bradford for his academic accomplishments and congratulate him for winning the 2008 Heisman Trophy. Motion agreed to 394-0.

Vote: Yea

(58) - H Res 128: Miami University 200th Anniversary - Adoption

February 10,
2009 - Fudge, D-Ohio, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate Miami University in Ohio on its 200th anniversary. Motion agreed to 413-0.

Vote: Yea

(59) - H Res 134: Martin Luther King Jr. India Trip Anniversary - Adoption

February 10,
2009 - Johnson, D-Ga., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would encourage Americans to remember the 50th anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s visit to India and the impact the trip and King's study of Mahatma Gandhi's philosophy had on the civil rights movement. Motion agreed to 406-0.

Vote: Yea

(62) - HR 448: Elder Abuse Prevention - Passage

February 11,
2009 - Johnson, D-Ga., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$220 million between fiscal 2009-2015 for grants for local law enforcement training regarding abuse of the elderly, assist state and local prosecutors in handling such cases and assist abuse victims advocacy groups. The bill would authorize about \$42 million to conduct a study of elder abuse laws and recommend policies. Motion agreed to 397-25.

Vote: Yea

(64) - H Res 117: National Engineers Week - Adoption

February 12,
2009 - Gordon, D-Tenn., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of National Engineers Week and pledge that the House work to ensure contributions of the engineering community are expressed through research and innovation. Motion agreed to 422-0.

Vote: Yea

(65) - H Con Res 35: NAACP 100th Anniversary - Adoption

February 12,
2009 - Johnson, D-Ga., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the 100th anniversary of the National Association of the Advancement for Colored People and honor the association for its work. Motion agreed to 424-0.

Vote: Yea

(72) - HR 911: Child Abuse in Residential Programs - Passage

February 23,

2009 - McCarthy, D-N.Y., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Department of Health and Human Services to enforce health and safety standards for residential programs for children. It would require criminal background checks for staff, the creation of a child abuse and neglect hotline, as well as a public Web site with information about program ownership and compliance with state child abuse licensing requirements. The measure would authorize \$15 million per year from fiscal 2010-2014 to implement the bill's provisions and \$235 million per year over the same period for a child abuse prevention grant program. Motion agreed to 295-102.

Vote:

Yea

(73)

- HR 44: Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act

February 23,

2009 - Bordallo, D-Guam, motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would recognize the suffering and loyalty of the Guam residents during World War II and the Japanese occupation and would direct the Treasury Department to make payments to those who were killed, injured, raped, forced into labor or interned or to their survivors. Motion agreed to 299-99.

Vote: Nay

(76) - HR 80: Captive Primate Sale and Importation - Passage

February 24,

2009 - Bordallo, D-Guam, motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to treat non-human primates as a prohibited wildlife species, banning their interstate sale or importation. The bill would authorize \$5 million in fiscal 2010 to hire additional U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service agents for enforcement and waive restrictions for certain primates being transported to assist a person with a permanent disability and those transported to or from a licensed veterinarian under certain circumstances. Motion agreed to 323-95.

Vote: Yea

(78) - H Res 83: Black History Month - Adoption

February 24,
2009 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the significance of Black History Month as a time to honor the contributions of African Americans and that ethnic and racial diversity strengthens the United States. Motion agreed to 420-0.

Vote:
Yea

(79)
- S 234: Wilson Post Office – Passage

February 24,
2009 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Springfield, Ill., as the "Colonel John H. Wilson, Jr. Post Office Building." A World War II veteran from Springfield, Wilson worked in the postal service for 57 years. Motion agreed to 417-0.

Vote: Yea

(81) - H Res 47: Peace Officers Memorial Day - Adoption

February 25,
2009 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of Peace Officers Memorial Day to honor federal, state and local peace officers killed or disabled in the line of duty. Motion agreed to 421-0.

Vote: Nay

(90) - H Res 183: Continental Flight 3407 - Adoption

February 26,
2009 - Arcuri, D-N.Y., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express condolences to the families and friends of those who died in the crash of Continental Connection Flight 3407, and commend those who responded to the emergency. Motion agreed to 399-0.

Vote: Yay

Energy,
Environment, and Federal Land

(74)
- R 601: Utah Land Conveyance - Passage

February 23,
2009 - Bordallo, D-Guam, motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would direct the Agriculture Department to convey approximately 31.5 acres of National Forest System land in the Wasatch-Chache National Forest to the town of Mantua, Utah. The bill would require the town to pay for a survey of the acreage, if necessary, and require the town to use the land for public purposes. Motion agreed to 396-1.

Vote: Yea

(77) - HR 637: Orange County Water Projects - Passage

February 24,
2009 - Bordallo, D-Guam, motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$23.5 million for the Interior Department to assist San Juan Capistrano and San Clemente, in Orange County, Calif., with water projects. The bill would stipulate that the federal share of project costs not exceed 25 percent of the total and that the bill sunset after 10 years. Motion agreed to 402-16.

Vote:
Yea

Healthcare

(50)
- HR 2: Children's Health Insurance - Passage

February 04,

2009 - Waxman, D-Calif., motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the bill that would reauthorize the State Children's Health Insurance Program over four and a half years and increase funding by \$32.8 billion. It would increase the federal tax on cigarettes to 62 cents per pack and raise taxes on other tobacco products. It would remove a five-year waiting period for the SCHIP program for new, legal immigrants, including pregnant women, and loosen citizenship and eligibility documentation requirements. The bill would limit program eligibility to families earning three times the federal poverty level or less and would require states to phase out coverage of childless adults.

Motion agreed to 290-135.

Vote:

Nay

Transportation
and Homeland Security

(49)

- HR 559: Terrorist Watch List Appeals - Passage

February 03,

2009 - Thompson, D-Miss., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Homeland Security Department to establish an office to respond to appeal and redress claims for individuals barred from boarding an aircraft, or believe they were wrongly placed on a terrorist watch list or database. The agency would have to establish a list of those wrongly identified on a terrorist watch list. Motion agreed to 413-3.

Vote: Yea
